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REVENUE TARGETS IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have fallen short of revenue targets so far during the year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any steps have been taken by the Railways in meeting the budgetary targets by the end of this fiscal;

(d) if so, the details alongwith the targets fixed for the next year; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R.VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The total earnings upto January,2008 have shown a drop of less than 1% over the Budget Proportion for the period. However, the total earnings have registered an impressive growth of around 12.3% over the last year.

(c): The following steps have been taken by the Railways to increase the passenger earnings in meeting the budgetary targets:

1. Developing additional seating capacity in trains by introducing additional trains.

2. Enhancing the load of more patronized trains to the maximum to meet the demand.

3. Attaching additional coaches in trains to clear waiting list.

4. Improving utilization of coaching stock so as to ward off the shortage of coaches. In addition to above several Freight incentive scheme have been launched to increase rail borne goods traffic.

(d): The revenue target for the next year 2008-09 is Rs.81801.00 crore.

(e): Does not arise.